

MINUTES
HOUSE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, March 12, 2019
TIME: 8:45 A.M.
PLACE: Room EW05
MEMBERS: Chairman Anderst, Representatives Moyle, Monks, Blanksma, Erpelding, Rubel, Smith (Nye)
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representatives Blanksma, Smith (Nye)
GUESTS: None.

Chairman Anderst called the meeting to order at 8:46AM.

RS 27084: **Rep. Wintrow**, District 19, explained the proposed legislation is an emergency remedy for anonymous reporting issues when there is a sexual assault kit collected in Emergency rooms. Currently nurses are required to report to police, blowing anonymity away. This legislation would allow for the nurses to not have to file a report with police, but to collect evidence and provide a tracking number for the assault kits to be stored with for up to 10 years.

MOTION: **Rep. Erpelding** made a motion to introduce **RS 27084**.

In response to further committee questions, **Rep. Wintrow** explained that in cases of children who have been assaulted, the kits will still be required to be reported. She also explained that there's no concern for people to be accused without knowing who their accuser is, the kits will be collected anonymously, but when police reports are filed later its no longer anonymous. Further, she stated that the tracking number for the anonymous kit is given to the victim as well as police so if the victim wants to go back and file a police report, they have the number to correspond to a stored anonymous kit.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:54AM.

Representative Anderst
Chair

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Secretary